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BYSIEWICZ: PRESIDENTIAL BALLOTS AVAILABLE FOR ELIGIBLE CONNECTICUT RESIDENTS ON ELECTION DAY

SECRETARY OF THE STATE REMINDS RESIDENTS WHO MISSED OCTOBER 28TH

VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE THEY CAN STILL CAST A BALLOT FOR

PRESIDENT ON NOVEMBER 4TH

HARTFORD: With the deadline to register to vote on November 4th having passed on October 28th, Connecticut Secretary of the State Susan Bysiewicz is reminding residents who missed that deadline they can still cast a ballot for President on Election Day.

"Connecticut is offering a special opportunity that allows eligible residents who are not registered to vote by Presidential ballot," said Bysiewicz. "This year has seen unprecedented interest in the electoral process, with the highest number of active registered voters in our state's history. Much of that interest has been driven by the Presidential campaign. I encourage anyone not registered to vote because they missed the deadline to make their voice heard and cast a vote for President of the United States."

Presidential ballots will be available at town clerks' offices until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day to eligible Connecticut residents who are U.S. Citizens over the age of 18 and not registered to vote. Those wishing to vote by Presidential ballot on Election Day must provide identification which shows residency in that town and either a photo ID or a government document showing the person's signature. Anyone looking for a complete list of acceptable forms of identification can visit the website www.VOTE-EZ-CT.com for the information in English and Spanish. In the past two Presidential elections, use of the Presidential ballot has been quite popular in Connecticut. Secretary Bysiewicz cites figures showing that 33,000 voters used Presidential ballots on Election Day in 2000 while 34,000 residents voted by Presidential ballot in 2004.